

## News Release

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### I-35 concrete overlay paving project near Faribault begins July 9

**FARIBAULT, Minn.** – Motorists on Interstate 35 near Faribault will encounter single lane, head-to-head traffic, ramp detours and traffic delays beginning Monday, July 9 as crews start a concrete overlay project, according to the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

Crews will pave approximately 4 miles of southbound I-35 from Rice County Road 9 to Highway 21 with an unbonded concrete overlay. Additionally, crews will repave the Highway 21 exit ramp, extend the deceleration lane off southbound I-35 to Highway 21 and repair culverts along I-35.

Shafer Contracting Co., Inc. of Shafer, Minn. is the prime contractor on this \$8 million project. Construction is expected to be completed in fall of 2018.

Motorists can expect single lane, head-to-head traffic and detours during construction. Traffic delays are expected, especially during peak traffic hours.

For more information about this project, or to sign up for email updates, go to our project web page at <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/d6/projects/i35-concreteoverlay/index.html>.

MnDOT urges motorists to always be attentive, drive with caution, slow down in [work zones](#) and never enter a road blocked with barriers or cones.

For real-time traffic and travel information in Minnesota, visit [www.511mn.org](http://www.511mn.org) or get the free smartphone app at [Google Play](#) or the [App Store](#).

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